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ESTER AND METAL-ADSORBING  
MATERIAL USING THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated February 19, 2010, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Discussion of the Amendment** begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.